



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor
John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
HOMEOWNERSHIP MONTH
JUNE 2005

WHEREAS, homeownership is a key component of the American Dream, stabilizing neighborhoods, producing healthy communities and helping families build economic security; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of a home is the largest financial investment most households make, building wealth, providing a tangible asset and strengthening personal responsibility; and

WHEREAS, homeowners work to maintain their investment, creating a greater concern for their neighborhood and making them stakeholders in their community; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota's affordable housing partners are working together to increase homeownership opportunities for the people of our state by providing housing counseling, down-payment assistance and flexible mortgage financing so more citizens can experience the joy, security and sense of community that comes with owning their own home; and

WHEREAS, throughout Homeownership Month, we recognize the local, state, federal, private and non-profit housing professionals who are dedicated to helping North Dakotans achieve the homeownership dream; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim June 2005, **HOMEOWNERSHIP MONTH** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/
John Hoeven
Governor

Attest:

/s/
Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State